THE SPECULATIVE MARKETS.

Lively Re-Opening of Business After the Election Holiday.

FLURRY IN WHEAT AND GREAT TRADING.

Corn Values Were Higher, but Live Stock Trade Was Slow and Unsatisfactory and Prices Lower.

CHICAGO, April 8.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—There was a lively reopening of business on the board of trade, following the election holiday. Conditions changed enough in forty-eight hours to put trade in a nervous condition. Wheat opened very active and very strong. Corn started nearly 1c up for May. Hog products were up 10c to 20c on a half-believed rumor that the German embargo was to be lifted from American hog products. May sales the first hour were as follows: Wheat, $1.04⅛, to $1.05, to $1.04⅞, to $1.04⅝; corn, 67⅞c, off to 66⅝c; oats, 54c to 53½c; pork, $12.55, to $12.67½c, to $12.52½; lard, $6.67½, to $6.82½, to $6.77½; ribs, $6.05, to $6.15, to $6.07½.

There was a great wheat market today. It started with a flurry and very strong at higher prices. This brought out a great flood of long wheat bought on Monday. The market yielded partly under this for a time, but later bull news became very decided and the market became broad and strong again, and some of the heaviest short sellers were forced to buy in their lines. There was a strong undertone at all times, and there were but one or two items of bear news, while weather cables, the clearances, cash sales, and fresh export business gave buyers much encouragement. Public cables early were firm for spot wheat and ¼d up for futures. The weather was cold here, and it was reported cold abroad. San Francisco was 3c up per cental and reported wonderful continental demands. At the same time there was talk of liberal export business at New York. This started the market with a sharp up turn. Then Russian and Indian shipments were given at about 5,500,000 bushels for the week to the United Kingdom and the continent, against 2,840,000 bushels the week previous. Bradstreet reports decreased stocks east of the Rockies 874,000 bushels. There were favorable dispatches about seeding in the northwest. This and the great Russian shipments helped selling on the early bulge. Later cane export clearances reaching 65,000 bushels of wheat and 57,000 packages of flour from New York and Baltimore. On top of this Baltimore reported 15 boat loads worked for export, New York reported from 25 to 31 boat loads worked for export, chiefly on cable acceptances for August and September shipment. New Orleans cleared 25,000 bushels for Liverpool. In this market it is reported that 50,000 bushels of spring and 20,000 bushels of winter wheat were worked for eastern shipment, probably by lake. In the pit there was great absorption of offerings which could not be traced. Cudahy and Pardridge were credited with buying very heavily to cover short sales. The offerings were met by Parmon and Bloom early, and later by Mitchell, Baxter, Geddes, Lindblom, Schwartz and S. V. White. The action of the market up to 1 o'clock, for leading months was as follows: May opened at 1c up, sold up to $1.04⅞, to $1.04⅞, to $1.04⅝, to $1.05⅛, to $1.05⅛, to $1.05, to $1.04⅞, to $1.05, to $1.05⅛, to $1.05, to $1.05, started at $1.04⅞, to $1.03⅞, sold $1.03, to $1.03⅛, to $1.02⅞, to $1.04 at 1 o'clock. New York had a strong and excited market. Minneapolis reported cash wheat quickly sold at $1.05½ receipts there were moderate, and rain was promised for tonight. Wheat sold at the highest prices of the day just before the close and touched $1.05⅞ for May and $1.06⅞ for July. The close was at $1.05⅝ seller for May and $1.06⅝ bid for July. April was quoted with July at the close.

The corn market did not possess its equal interest, considering the activity and wide range of prices generally on the floor. The action was much the same as that in wheat. The start was at ½c to 1c up from Monday's close, followed by a decidedly easier feeling and lower prices, and this by a strong recovery late in the day. May sold at 67c to 67½c at the start, yielded to 66½c, and at 1 o'clock moved up to 64¾c. July sold at 63⅝c to 64c at the opening, off to 63⅛c and up before the close to 64⅝c. Corn at the close, compared with the close on Monday, was up ⅜c respectively. At the close the brokers claimed that May sold on the early and late bulge as high as 67½c for July, and also touched 64⅝c. April was quoted at 67¼c, to 67½c, to 66½c, to 67⅜c. May puts, 66⅝c; calls, 68¼c.

The oats market was governed today by the action of the leading cereals, wheat and corn. The market opened up about ¼c above Monday's closing figures, declined ⅛c, recovered on the strength of corn, scored an advance of fully 1c and closed finally at about the top prices of the day. May delivery opened at 54c, sold down to 53½c, up to 54⅝c, and closed at 54¾c. June was quiet and ranged from ⅝c to ⅞c under May. July sold from 51c down to 50½c, up to 51¾c, and closing at 51⅛c. August opened at 38½c, weakened to 37⅞c, hardened up to 38⅝c and closed at 38¼c. September ranged from 35c to 35¼c, closing at the outside price.

The strength in provisions at the opening was on the general belief that the talk of a recall of the edict against the admission of American pork to Germany was genuine. The bulge had just gotten nicely underway when Berlin cable advices to two or three houses stated that the story was without foundation and that no official action was probable. This caused a break of 15c in pork and 10c in other products from the early advance. Later, however, the strength returned, shorts were scared into buying, outsiders bought freely, and in the general demand for stuff prices were forced up at the close to the high points for the day, and showed gains over Monday's close of 27½c for ribs, 30c for lard and 45c for mess pork, a remarkably uniform advance. Pork sold at $12.55, to $12.67½, to $12.50, to $12.75, to $12.70 for May; $12.90, to $13.22½, and closing at $13.20 for July; September, $13.02½. Lard started at 5c to 10c higher, acted with pork, and closed at 30c over Monday, at $6.60 and $6.70 for May and July. Ribs closed at $6.25, $6.60 and $6.87½ for May, July and September.

PRICES AT CHICAGO.

Showing the official report of the range of prices as wired to Cockrell Brothers.

COMMODITY	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yes'y
WHEAT—					
May	1 04⅞	1 05⅞	1 04⅞	1 05⅛	.....
July	1 03⅞	1 04⅝	1 02⅞	1 04⅛	.....
CORN—					
May	67¼@⅜	67⅞	66⅞	67⅝@	.....
July	64⅝	64⅞	63¼	64⅝	.....
OATS—					
May	54	54½	53⅝	54⅝	.....
July	51	51⅞	50½	51⅛	.....
PORK—					
May	12 55	12 77	12 50	12 75	.....
July	12 90	13 22	12 90	13 20	.....
RIBS—					
May	6 12	6 25	6 05	6 25	.....
July	6 35	6 60	6 35	6 60	.....
LARD—					
May	6 75	6 92	6 75	6 90	.....
July	6 95	7 20	6 95	7 20	.....

PRICES AT ST. LOUIS

COMMODITY	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yes'y
WHEAT—					
May	.....	.....	.....	$1 03⅛	105¼@⅜
July	98½	99¾	97⅝	99⅝@¾	98⅝
CORN—					
May	66	66⅝	65⅝	66⅝	66⅝
July	63	63⅝	62¼	63⅝	63⅝
OATS—					
May	54	.....	.....	54¼	54⅝

Notes and Gossip.

Duluth receipts, 104 cars of wheat.

Minneapolis receipts, 179 cars of wheat.

Closing London cables: 6d up on cash wheat and 3d on May.

Russian shipments of wheat for this week, 5,040,000 bushels.

Clearances of flour at New York and Baltimore, 58,000 packages.

Private London cable: Wheat, prompt shipment 3d higher than yesterday.

Receipts for the two days at eleven primary points, 626,000; shipments, 261,000.

Hutchinson and McCormick & Co. sold a great deal of July wheat recently.

The London Economist says that Europe is 100,000,000 bushels short of last year.

Closing cable: Liverpool ¾d up on all wheat futures; also ¼d up on corn futures.

Berlin cables quotes an advance of 4¾ marks on April and May and 3¾ on September.

Clearances at four ports yesterday: Wheat, 36,788; corn, 52,267; oats, 15,956; flour, 15,197.

Brussels cable: Market excited; all wheat offered taken almost regardless of prices.

Bradstreet makes the decrease in wheat west of the Rockies 833,000 and 1,207,000 for both sides.

Paris cable: Wheat and flour firm. Wheat continues higher. Flour 20 to 40 centimes higher.

One hundred cars of wheat were sold at Kansas City for export today, immediate shipment.

New York says: There has been at least 500,000 bushels of wheat worked here today for July and August shipment.

It is estimated by some when all wheat is loaded that has been chartered at Chicago that there will be 1,100,000 bushels afloat.

Beerbohm's cable: Off coast wheat firmer; corn, none offered. On passage wheat firm; corn steady. Mark Lane wheat firm; corn firm; flour firm. French markets generally bearer. Weather in England cold. Liverpool spot wheat strong; corn firmer. No. 1 California wheat, 8s 7½d; Walla Walla, 8s 3½d; red winter, 8s 4d. Liverpool, 12:30 p. m.: Wheat unchanged; corn firm and demand improving.

Reported that 120,000 bushels of wheat worked at Chicago for direct export on the opening of navigation, of which 50,000 is spring and 70,000 winter.

St. Louis receipts: Wheat, 28,896; corn, 62,530; oats, 15,175. Same day a year ago: Wheat, 8,659; corn, 9,507; oats, 10,000. Shipments: Wheat, 34,856; corn, 40,600; oats, 12,900.

Chicago receipts for two days: Wheat, 46,099 bushels; corn, 214,781 bushels; oats, 240,172 bushels. Shipments: Wheat, 52,893 bushels; corn, 155,518 bushels; oats, 214,093 bushels. Estimated for Thursday, car lots: Wheat, 43; corn, 356; oats, 224.

Logan & Co. to Tonnray & Bryan: Wheat has been active from the opening until the close. No special house or individual was prominent as buyers or sellers. May opened at $1.04⅞, sold up to $1.05 and sold off to $1.04⅞ and again advanced to $1.05⅛ and closed at $1.05⅛. Cables are strong, the continent leading as buyers. English markets are now on a parity with Chicago and there has been considerable purchases for immediate shipment from here. The season is backward, the growing crop making no progress so far. This, with foreign demand and small stocks in the interior, gives strength and may give still higher prices. If the demand for shipment continues higher prices must follow until the sentiment changes. It will pay small profits to buy on breaks. The trade in corn has been larger than for many days. May opened at 67⅜c, sold off to 66⅞c and closed at 67⅝c. The old bull party is still bearish. In provisions packers have done little and the outside buying has been good. Strength in wheat and corn with better prices for hogs, the product will follow.

W. G. McCormick & Co. to F. C. Swartz & Co.—The boom in wheat of yesterday was followed by a further advance today. With the exception of beautiful spring-like weather all over this country the news was universally bullish. Liverpool noted an advance of 1 penny. London an advance of 6 pence, Berlin an advance of 4¾ marks on April and May wheat and 3¾ marks on September, while Paris brought up the rear with and advance of 40 centimes on flour and a corresponding advance in wheat. New York reported export sales of 38 loads with more inquired for and likely to be sold before the day was over. At Chicago 130,000 bushels were taken for direct export as soon as navigation opens. New York reported heavy clearances of flour. Our local bears have fought hard to hold prices, but their efforts were useless in the face of the mass of bull news. The market closes strong and if the foreign news continues of the same fever a further advance would not surprise us. Corn and oats—It is evident that the edge is off both of these deals, although sympathy with the advance in wheat has sustained prices today. The present fine weather will certainly increase the receipts and our cash market shows a marked lack of anxiety on the part of buyers. We are decidedly inclined to the short side of the July option in both corn and oats. Provisions opened higher on light receipts of hogs. There were a number of orders on the market indiced by the idea that Germany would remove her embargo on hog products, but private cables from reliable German sources state that no such removal is probable. Towards the close the market firmed in sympathy with the advance in grain, but May liquidation is going at such a rate that we hardly believe it possible to sustain prices during the next ten days. We are, however, bulls on provisions and advise buying on all weak spots.

Kennett, Hopkins & Co. to S. A. McWhorter—Stimulated by strong cables and exaggerated reports of export business, the bears who sold so freely on Monday at the decline, absorbed the offerings most ravenously when the bell struck this morning. The advance yesterday in outside markets during our holiday had whetted their appetites and they were clamorous buyers. Prices eased off gradually after the shorts had filled up and this tempted them to put out fresh lines. Later there was a renewal of bullish intelligence on which the market advanced about 2 cents for July and 1 cent for May. Shorts were again the principal buyers on the latter bulge and longs generally took profits. In all forms it is said about 100 loads had been taken at the seaboard this week for export, most of it for late summer shipment. The latter is of course liable to be resold. This will depend on circumstances. It is like one of Jay Gould's dividends, not safe to count on until paid. There is apparently too much cash and fireworks over this alleged export business. It may result in small shipments this month or next, but the bulk of the engagement, if shipped at all, will come from the next crop, and until it is known what the next harvest is it seems premature to advance prices now on possible shipments in September. We are having a splendid scalping market and traders who do not lose their heads and who will buy only on good breaks and sell only on good rallies will find dealings quite satisfactory. Corn and oats have had no particular individuality today. They broke down heavily when wheat declined and recovered in sympathy with the leader in speculation. Less and less confidence is being shown in these cereals and there is a more general disposition to sell on the rallies both for long and short account. The warm, growing weather is likely to have a more decided effect on them than on wheat. There was no disposition to sell provisions today, neither by holders nor by speculators, for a decline. So it was that we had a strong advancing market, without much buying. The advance in wheat had some effect and also probably in article in a morning paper saying that if German restrictions were not yet removed they soon would be. We have had two days of sunshine, but it has not dispelled the dull feeling in the air. The market closed steady at about the top. It is nervous and liable to advance on a slight stimulus we think.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK MARKET.

CHICAGO, April 8.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—CATTLE—Trade was again slow, disappointing and unsatisfactory for salesmen. The receipts show a falling off of 6,000 as compared with last week, but that fact in no way seems to stimulate the demand or prices. Exporters were practically out of the market, and the beef trade remained indifferent buyers. Big steers were particularly slow, as neither the quality nor price seemed to suit buyers. Butchers' stock sold fairly active and at a steady range of prices. In the stocker and feeder line business was light and prices steady. One of the lots of extra steers sold at $6.00@6.25; good to choice, $5.60@5.90; medium, $4.75@4.95; common, $3.75@4.25; cows and heifers, $2.25 @4.00; stockers, $2.25@4.00.

HOGS—Business was again fairly active, with little or no change in values as compared with yesterday. Packers bought sparingly, and shippers barely their usual number, yet nearly everything was sold, the general market closing steady. Rough and common may be quoted at $4.50@4.70; packers, $4.80@5.55; prime heavy and butcher weights, $5.25@5.45; prime assorted light of 160 pounds average, $5.00@5.20; others, $1.50@4.90; pigs, $3.00 and upwards.

STOCKS AND BONDS.

Kennett, Hopkins & Co. to S. A. McWhorter.—A Commack broker said at the Windsor last evening that there was no doubt about the former having sold out his Northern Pacific stock and now that he was doubtless out of them entirely. He didn't know or care whether the three Deutsche bankers of Berlin had withdrawn their support of Villard or not. He simply knew that liquidation of late had been constant and free, and that was enough for him to know. The feeling last night on the whole was that the market would probably further recede this forenoon, simply because selling and liquidation had been heavy, but despite this fact the closing was not weak. The story that Cornelius Vanderbilt was going into the St. Paul board of directors was denied yesterday by Phil Armour and Depew. The granger family of roads are in another row this morning, so says the Chicago Tribune, because the lines in that region have been ordered by the joint committee to boycott Chicago & Alton tickets, or baggage checks, because the Alton continues to pay commissions. The New York Central earnings came out last night for March, the quarter showing an increase of 41,000, but a decrease for nine months of $225,000. The Rome, Watertown & Ogdensburg earnings began to be counted in on March 15.

The stock market after a languid move early in the day with surface indications of a tendency to react downward became more active during the afternoon and very strong. St. Paul has clearly been the leader of the market and its strength and the confidence with which it has been bought is due to the changed sentiment during the day. The weakness of Northern Pacific yesterday and early this morning together with the announcement that the roads in the Western Traffic association had proclaimed war against the Chicago & Alton, because of the latter's refusal to abandon the payment of commissions, had much to do with the bearish feeling to which we have referred as existing at the opening. The first of these causes was removed about midday, the pressure against Northern Pacific having ceased, and the stock began to recover from its depression. The outcome of the movement to boycott the Chicago & Alton cannot be clearly foreseen. This is of doubtful legality and would not probably be sustained by the courts if it could ever be brought to an issue. It is unfortunate, to say the least of it, that any trouble of the kind should come up when so much effort is being made to improve the railway situation. The industrial stocks have again been strong. The street is inclined to believe that the newly elected mayor of Chicago is friendly to the Chicago gas company and under his administration vexatious litigation will be abandoned. The theory is that Chicago Gas has been bought confidently. Sugar Refineries also have been strong and recovered from the decline of yesterday which seems to have been only a national reaction in the trend of prices upward. The market closed firm at about top prices. Money easy at ½ per cent. Total sales, 242,027.

London closing prices: Northern Pacific preferred, 71¼, decrease 1¾; Erie, 19¾, decrease ⅜; Lake Shore, 112⅝, decrease 1; Louisville & Nashville, 77¾, advance ⅜; St. Paul, 59¾, unchanged; New York Central, 105, decrease ⅛; Reading, 16⅛, decrease ⅛; Atchison, 29⅝.

The following are the closing quotations:

U. S. 4s registered....122	Northern Pacific..... 20⅝		
U. S. 4s coupons....122	do preferred..... 70		
U. S. 4½s registered .102	C., N. & W.....107⅝		
U. S. 4½s coupons....102	do pref'd (ex div)...134		
Pacific 6s of '95.....112	New York Central....105¼		
Central Pacific..... 29⅝	P., D. & E..... 21		
Chicago & Alton.....123	Rock Island..... 73¾		
Chicago, Burlington & Quincy..... 85¼	St. Paul & Omaha.... 39⅝		
	do preferred..... 118¾		
D., L. & W.....136¾	St. Paul & Omaha.... 23		
Illinois Central..... 96⅝	do preferred..... 82		
L. S. & W.....	Union Pacific..... 47⅛		
Kansas & Texas..... 12⅝	W., St. L. & P..... 9¼		
Lake Shore.....111	do preferred..... 17⅛		
Michigan Central.... 92¾	Western Union..... 81⅝		
Missouri Pacific..... 68¼			

MONEY ON CALL—Easy; closed offered at 3 per cent.

PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—6@8 per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Quiet, easier; sixty-day bills, $4.88¾; demand, $4.88¾.

Coffee Options.

NEW YORK, April 8.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—COFFEE—Options opened barely steady and 5@15 points down; closed steady at 10@20 points down; more active. The sales were 31,500 bags, including April, $17.00@17.15; May, $16.90@17.05; June, $16.70@16.80; July, $16.40@16.55; August, $16.10@16.15; September, $15.65@15.80; October, $15.10@15.15; December, $14.35@14.40. Spot Rio, dull and easy; fair cargoes $20.00; No. 7, $17.87½@18.00.

Mining Quotations.

NEW YORK, April 8.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The following are the mining stock quotations:

Alice.....	150	Homestake.....	875
Adams Con.....	180	Horn Silver.....	320
Eureka Con.....	300	Plymouth.....	180
Gould & Curry.....	280	Standard.....	120
Hale and Norcross...	175		

PRODUCE.

CHICAGO, April 8.—Wheat—Close—Firm; cash, $1.04½@1.05⅛; May, $1.05¼@1.05⅜; July, 1.04⅛.

Corn—Steady; cash, 67@67⅞c; May, 67⅝@67½c; July, 64⅝c.

Oats—Steady; cash, 53½c; May, 54⅝@54½c; July, 51⅝c.

Rye—Nominal at 89@86½c.

Barley—Nominal at 78c.

Timothy—$1.20@1.25.

Flax—$1.21⅛.

Whisky—$1.16.

Pork—Steady; cash, $12.62½; May, $12.77½; July, $13.20.

Lard—Steady; cash, $6.75@6.80; May, $6.90; July, $7.20.

Short Ribs—Steady; cash, $6.10; May, $6.22½@6.25; July, $6.57½@6.60.

Flour—Firm and unchanged; winter wheat, Wisconsin straights, $4.30@4.40; do clear, $4.10@4.20; spring wheat, Minnesota hard patents, $5.00@5.10; soft patent, $4.85@5.00.

Bulk Meats—Steady; shoulders, $5.00@5.10; short clear, $6.05@6.15; short ribs, $6.05@6.10.

Butter—Lower; creamery, 17@24c; dairy, 13@21c.

Cheese—Firm; full cream cheddars, 11¼@11½c; flats, 11@12c; Young Americas, 12@12½c.

Eggs—Weak; fresh, 12@13c.

Hides—Steady; heavy green salted, 6c light green salted, 5½c@6c; green hides, 4½@5; salted bulk, 4¾c; green salted calf, 8c; dry flint, 8c; dry salted, 6@7c; dry calf, 8@9c; deacons, 52c each.

Tallow—Steady; New solid packed, quotable at 4¼c.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour.....	23,000	16,000
Wheat, bu.....	47,000	53,000
Corn, bu.....	245,000	156,000
Oats, bu.....	219,000	215,000

NEW YORK, April 8.—Wheat—Receipts, 43,800 bushels; exports, ——; spot higher; No. 2 red, $1.17¾@1.19⅞ in elevator; $1.20⅛@1.20¾ afloat; $1.20@1.21⅛ f. o. b. Options advanced 3¾@1½c; closed firm; No. 2 red, May closing at $1.15¼.

Corn—Receipts, 38,000 bushels; exports, 2,800 bushels; spot weaker; No. 2, 76@78½c in elevator; 79@79½c afloat; ungraded mixed, 77@80c. Options closed firm; May closing 74½c.

Oats—Receipts, 36,000 bushels; exports, 150 bushels; spot steady; No. 2 white, 60¾@62c; mixed western, 57@62c; white western, 60@66c. Options stronger; May closing at 57⅛c.

Sugar—Raw, firm; muscovado, 80 test, 3¾-16c; refined, fairly active and firmer.

Petroleum—United closed, May, 73c.

Eggs—Weak; western, 15¼c.

Pork—Higher; new mess, $13.27@13.75.

Lard—Higher, strong; western steam, $7.00 bid; May, nominal at $7.07.

Butter—About steady; western dairy, 12@20c; western creamery, 21@26½c; Elgin, 27.

Cheese—Firm; skims, 6½@10c.

ST. LOUIS, April 8.—Wheat—Higher; cash, $1.05; May, $1.05⅞.

Corn—Strong; cash, 66c; May, 66⅝c.

Oats—Dull; cash, 55½c; May, 54¼c.

Pork—Firm at $12.25@12.37½.

Lard—Firm at $6.87½.

Whisky—$1.16.

Butter—Unchanged; creamery, 24@26c; dairy, 22@24c.

MINNEAPOLIS, April 8.—Wheat — Sample wheat strong with good demand; poor grades slow. Receipts, 170 cars; shipments, 45 cars. Close: No. 1 hard, April, $1.06; on track, $1.06¼@1.07; No. 1 northern, April, $1.05; May, $1.06⅛; on track, $1.04@1.04½; No. 2 northern, April, $1.01; on track, $1.01¼@1.02½.

KANSAS CITY, April 8.—Wheat—Steady; No. 2 hard, cash and April, 93c bid; No. 2 red cash, 98c bid.

Corn—Steady; No. 2, cash, 64¾@65¼c; April, 63½c bid.

Oats—Steady; No. 2 cash, 53½c; April, 52¾c.

MILWAUKEE, April 8.—Wheat—Firm; No. 2, spring and cash, $1.04@1.05; May, $1.01¾.

Corn—Firm; No. 3, 68½c.

Oats—Firm; No. 2, white, 56c.

Provisions—Quiet; pork, May, $12.75.

CINCINNATI, April 8.—Wheat—Held higher; No. 2 red, $1.08.

Corn—Lower; No. 2 mixed, 73½c.

Oats—Strong; No. 2 mixed, 58¼c.

Whisky—$1.16.

LIVERPOOL, April 8.—Wheat—Firm; demand fair; holders offer sparingly.

Corn—Firm; demand improving; mixed western, 6s 1¼d per cental.

LIVE STOCK.

CHICAGO, April 8.—Cattle—Receipts, 11,000; market slow and steady; steers, extra, $5.00@6.25; common to choice, $3.75@5.00; cows and heifers, $1.50@4.00; stockers, $2.25@4.00.

Hogs—Receipts, 20,000; market fairly active, steady; rough and common, $4.50@4.70; prime heavy and butcher weights, $5.25@5.45; light, $4.50@5.20.

Sheep—Receipts, 7,000; market active and steady to a shade stronger; westerns, $4.80@5.85; Texans, $5.00@5.25; lambs, $4.00@6.60.

ST. LOUIS, April 8.—Cattle—Receipts, 1,100; shipments, 300; market steady; fair to fancy native steers, $4.00@5.60; stockers and feeders, $2.80@4.00.

Hogs—Receipts, 5,200; shipments, 800; market steady; heavy, $5.00@5.20; mixed, $4.60@5.00; light, $4.80@4.90.

KANSAS CITY, April 8.—Cattle—Receipts, 2,300; shipments, 1,400; market steady to slow; steers, $3.75@6.00; cows, $1.75@4.25; stockers and feeders, 2.25@4.10.

Hogs—Receipts, 10,200; shipments, 7,100; market steady; all grades, $3.35@4.95.

OMAHA LIVE STOCK.

OMAHA, April 8.

CATTLE—Estimated receipts of cattle 2,000, as compared with 1,931 yesterday and 1,596 Wednesday of last week. The market was slow and 10 to 15c lower on beeves, and active and steady to firm on butcher stock. Good feeders are in active demand at strong prices, with less desirable grades steady.

Hogs—Estimated receipts of hogs 4,600, as compared with 8,126 yesterday and 3,543 Wednesday of last week. The market was active and strong, to 5c higher. All sold early. The range of the prices paid was $4.60@4.90, the bulk selling at $4.65@4.85. Pigs, $3.50@3.75; light-lights, $3.75@4.50; light, $4.00@4.85; heavy, $4.80@4.90; mixed, $4.65@4.85. The average of the prices paid was $4.74⅞ as compared with $4.67½ yesterday, $4.55 Wednesday of last week and $4.12 one year ago today.

SHEEP—Estimated receipts of sheep, 1,654, as compared with 773 yesterday and 635 Wednesday of last week. The market was unchanged. Natives, $2.75@5.10; westerns, $2.50@4.95.

Disposition of Stock.

Showing the number of cattle, hogs and sheep bought by the packers and other buyers on the market as shown by the books of the Union stock yards company:

CATTLE.

Buyers.	No.
Swift & Co.....	331
The G. H. Hammond company.....	239
The Cudahy packing company.....	229
The Omaha packing company.....	19
Shippers, feeders and other buyers.....	1,053
Left over.....	101
Total.....	1,941

HOGS.

The Cudahy packing company.....	802
The Omaha packing company.....	729
Swift & Co.....	1,054
The G. H. Hammond company.....	575
Shippers, feeders and other buyers.....	1,599
Left over.....	192
Total.....	4,951

SHEEP.

Swift & Co.....	371
The Cudahy packing company.....	153
Shippers, feeders and other buyers.....	108
Total.....	632

Representative Sales.

STEERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
1..	970	$3 00	4..	1150	$4 45	61..	1180	$4 90
2..	850	3 55	1..	1200	4 50	16..	1106	5 00
1..	990	3 50	11..	1041	4 55	28..	1294	5 00
11..	822	3 60	29..	1087	4 65	17..	1168	5 05
1..	920	3 75	5..	1096	4 70	20..	1216	5 10
2..	890	4 00	40..	1241	4 70	13..	1311	5 25
2..	1200	4 2	41..	1062	4 75	42..	1189	5 27½
30..	1121	4 45	22..	1158	4 80	35..	1287	5 40
10..	1121	4 80	21..	1146	5 40			

COWS.

14..	786	1 65	10..	986	2 40	1..	1070	3 40
7..	895	1 75	34..	920	2 90	1..	1030	3 50
1..	900	1 75	3..	1013	2 90	1..	1010	3 75
2..	750	1 75	6..	980	3 00	14..	1127	3 80
34..	889	1 90	6..	960	3 00	8..	1091	4 00
15..	680	2 00	5..	820	3 25	5..	1104	4 00
3..	950	2 25	8..	876	3 25	8..	1173	4 00
8..	787	2 25	16..	1151	3 35			

BULLS.

4..	1347	1 65	2..	1490	2 40	1..	1870	3 10
3..	1233	2 25	1..	1340	2 50	1..	1020	4 00
1..	1320	2 25	3..	1426	2 75	1..	1020	4 00
1..	1590	2 40						

STOCKERS AND FEEDERS.

28..	609	3 30	13..	766	3 50	59..	931	3 60
9..	678	3 35						

OXEN.

10..	1340	2 00	1..	1670	2 50	3..	1653	3 00

HEIFERS.

1..	1150	3 75

CALVES.

1..	140	$2 25

MILKERS AND SPRINGERS.

1 springer	$25 00
1 cow and calf	23 00
1 cow and calf	30 00

HOGS.

No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.
4.....	210	80	$4 00	29	244	120	$4 72½
23.....	125	40	4 25	63	277	40	4 75
1.....	300	—	4 30	77	242	200	4 75
4.....	330	40	4 35	65	230	200	4 75
1.....	235	80	4 35	67	227	40	4 75
90.....	175	80	4 50	80	234	200	4 75
2.....	460	—	4 50	3	180	—	4 75
71.....	164	120	4 55	57	229	120	4 75
5.....	200	—	4 60	83	195	120	4 80
80.....	160	120	4 60	79	208	40	4 80
21.....	144	40	4 60	61	232	200	4 80
62.....	204	120	4 60	61	248	40	4 80
68.....	170	160	4 60	28	251	40	4 80
92.....	191	80	4 67	63	266	40	4 80
4.....	310	80	4 60	71	220	200	4 80
71.....	183	120	4 65	22	228	80	4 80
82.....	201	120	4 65	75	232	80	4 80
155.....	177	200	4 65	9	282	—	4 80
74.....	195	—	4 65	63	257	80	4 80
87.....	199	40	4 65	51	274	120	4 80
61.....	210	40	4 65	54	265	120	4 80
71.....	191	200	4 65	78	199	160	4 80
162.....	193	160	4 70	57	260	120	4 82½
78.....	193	40	4 70	70	232	40	4 85
70.....	228	200	4 70	49	274	—	4 85
52.....	250	120	4 70	65	224	80	4 85
51.....	250	—	4 70	77	239	200	4 85
85.....	195	120	4 70	68	237	120	4 85
81.....	198	160	4 70	63	216	80	4 85
83.....	194	160	4 70	54	235	80	4 85
72.....	224	240	4 70	31	288	—	4 85
75.....	238	160	4 70	54	211	120	4 85
67.....	247	200	4 70	71	222	40	4 85
76.....	179	120	4 70	71	246	80	4 90
6.....	216	—	4 70	62	259	—	4 90
58.....	258	200	4 70	64	255	80	4 90
70.....	218	80	4 70	40	305	—	4 90
59.....	247	120	4 70	67	302	200	4 90
61.....	182	40	4 70	51	359	80	4 90
69.....	221	200	4 72½				

PIGS AND ROUGH.

10.....	93	—	2 50	11.....	90	—	2 75
3.....	103	—	2 60	1.....	270	—	4 00
14.....	87	—	2 65				

SHEEP.

No.		Av.	Pr.
4	westerns, ewes	97	$3 50
149	westerns, ewes	114	4 75
191	westerns, ewes	99	4 23
164	westerns, wethers	116	5 00
4	westerns, wethers	115	3 50

OMAHA WHOLESALE MARKETS.

Groceries.

COFFEE—Green—Rio, 22@24c; Java, 27c; Mocha, 28c. Roasted—Arioso, 26 1-10c; McLaughlin, XXXX, 26 1-10c; Bunola, 26 1-10c; German, 27¾c; Dilworth's, 26c; Lion, 26 1-10c; Cordovia, 26 1-10c; Mocha, 31c; O. G. Java, 29c; Coffee—essence—½ gro. boxes, $1.35@1.50; chicory, 7½@8½c.

NUTS—Per pound—Almonds, 18c; Brazils, 13c; filberts, 13c; pecans, 13@14c; walnuts, 15c; peanuts, fancy white, 6c; roasted, 8c.

SALT—Dairy, 280 lbs in bbls, bulk, $2.40; best grades, 60 lbs, $2.40; best grade, 100 lbs, $2.50; best grade, 28 lbs, $2.10; rock salt, crushed, $2.10.

BAKING POWDER—Royal, dime cans, per doz, 95c; ¼-lb cans, $1.45; ½-lb cans, $2.65; 1-lb cans, $5.00; Price's, ¼-lb cans, $1.35; ½-lb cans, $2.50; 1-lb cans, $4.75; other kinds, 1-lb cans, per doz, $1.00@4.85.

WRAPPING PAPER—Per lb, best straw, 15x18 to 32x44, 1¾c; dry goods, 4¾c; extra quality, manillas, 6½c; manilla tea, 12x18, 9c; dark rag, hardware, 2¾c.

TWINES—150 feet white, 9c;